INFORMATION PAPER

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SUBJECT: FAO In-Country Training Program - Spain

1. **PURPOSE.** To provide a summary of the FAO in-country training program and facilities available in Spain to assist in selection and arrival time of replacement personnel. Projected in-country trainees should use the information provided to contact incumbent trainees and/or FAO supervisor as early as possible for more detailed information.

2. **FACTS.**

- a. <u>Summary of Program</u>:
 - (1) Tour Length 12 months.
 - (2) Normal Arrival/Departure Dates June/July.
- (3) Program Description One FAO per year conducts ICT in Spain. The FAO attends the three month Escuela Interarmas, the Spanish equivalent to CAS3. Trainee conducts additional advanced language training, as well as area studies, and local/regional travel. The ICT site is supervised and supported by the US Office Defense Cooperation (USODC) in Madrid.
 - (4) Prerequisites CPT/MAJ; branch immaterial; Spanish 2,2, 2.

b. Property:

- (1) Government Computers (2 each) and 2 printers.
- (2) Personal POV authorized; POV shipment is recommended approximately three months prior to arrival date. Recommend against purchasing a POV locally because of expense.
- c. <u>Housing</u>: FAO receives OHA and COLA and must locate own housing. Housing office at embassy will help unofficially. Contact sponsor, incumbent FAO, for further assistance.

d. Support Facilities:

(1) All local inprocessing takes place at the U.S. Embassy/Office of Defense Cooperation.

- (2) Medical the Embassy has an aid station for minor needs. The Hospital del Aire (the Spanish Air Force hospital) supports more serious requirements. Full medical and dental facilities are available at Rota Naval Base (6 hours away).
- (3) Dependent Schools All grades can attend the American School of Madrid, a private US curriculum school. Other English-speaking private institutions are available.
- (4) PX/Commissary Rota Naval Base, 6 hrs drive by POV. Embassy contains a small store which stocks American items. Membership is required.
- e. <u>Language Instruction Availability</u>: Tutoring services are available. Good private language instruction exists at moderate costs.
 - f. Rater/Senior Rater: A/ARMA ARMA
 - g. <u>Address</u>:
 - (1) Mail USDAO (Attn:CPT _____)
 American Embassy Madrid
 PSC 61, BOX 0004
 APO AE 09642-0061
 - (2) Message USDAO MADRID SP
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3. **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.** Bring materials from OAC/CAS3/CGSC.

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